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# **Advisory Announcement**

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# SOUTHEAST ALASKA/YAKUTAT SPRING TROLL FISHERY

Sitka . . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) announced today the following information concerning the commercial spring troll fishery.

### SCHEDULE OF SPRING TROLL OPENINGS:

#### Ketchikan area:

Mountain Point (101-45)	June 15–17
Rock Point (101-46)	June 13-15

## Craig area:

Bucareli Bay (103-50)	June 16-17
Port Saint Nicholas (103-60)	June 13–15

#### Sitka area:

Western Channel (113-01)	June 15
Redoubt Bay (113-30)	June 16-17
Goddard (113-31)	June 17-18
West Crawfish Inlet (113-32)	June 18-19
Sitka Sound (113-41)	June 13–17
Salisbury Sound (113-62)	June 17-20

## Icy Strait/Northern Chatham/Keku Strait hatchery chum salmon areas:

June 15–30	closed to Chinook salmon retention
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June 15–18	pink and chum retention only
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#### Yakutat area:

Yakutat Bay (183-10) June 18

The following terminal and special harvest areas (THA/SHA) opened June 1, and will remain open until further notice:

Port Armstrong SHA (109-11), Hidden Falls THA (112-22), Crawfish Inlet THA (113-33), and Silver Bay THA (113-35).

#### Additional Terminal and Special Harvest Area (THA/SHA) openings will occur as follows:

Carroll Inlet THA (101-48)	opened June 1–30 to troll gear unless closed by emergency order
Anita Bay THA (107-35)	opened June 1, see troll gear schedule in Anita Bay advisory announcement
Deep Inlet THA (113-38)	opened June 2, see troll gear schedule in Deep Inlet advisory announcement

\*Note: the waters of Deep Inlet THA west of 135°20.75' W long, are open continuously to troll gear through June 20. All waters of the Deep Inlet THA will follow the rotational schedule on June 21.

Neets Bay THA (101-95)	June 15, see troll gear schedule in Neets Bay advisory announcement
Thomas Bay SHA (110-12)	June 21, see troll gear schedule in Thomas Bay advisory announcement
Southeast Cove THA (109-41)	June 21, see troll gear schedule in Southeast Cove advisory announcement

Weekly troll openings will be announced by advisory announcement each Friday. Maps of THA/SHA and spring troll areas and additional details on the fishery are provided in the 2020 Spring Troll Fishery Management Plan, available in area offices and on the ADF&G troll web site at:

 $https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareasoutheast.salmon\_trollspring.$ 

Fishing time in spring troll areas may be extended based on inseason assessment of coded wire tag data and historic harvest timing information. It is extremely important to segregate fish caught in different fishery areas so that accurate dockside sampling can occur by department personnel. If salmon are harvested in multiple areas, each troller and tender is required to report these catches on separate fish tickets [5 AAC 29.090(k)]. The fishery name and the fishery area number must be reported on all fish tickets.

2020 Spring Chinook Harvest and Effort						
	Week of 6/7	(SW 24)	Cumulative			
Spring Troll Area	Landings	Harvest	Landings	Harvest		
Mountain Point (101-45)	15	56	35	140		
Rock Point (101-46)	8	16	20	70		
Carroll Inlet THA (101-48)	*	*	3	7		
Bucareli Bay (103-50)	12	69	130	927		
Port Saint Nicholas (103-60)	8	40	69	427		
Anita Bay THA (107-35)	*	*	*	*		
Western Channel (113-01)	46	405	72	716		
Redoubt Bay (113-30)	8	73	40	298		
Goddard (113-31)	5	75	8	80		
West Crawfish Inlet (113-32)	*	*	*	*		
Crawfish Inlet THA (113-33)	3	44	4	101		
Silver Bay THA (113-35)	5	63	11	113		
Sitka Sound (113-41)	70	759	300	2,992		
Salisbury Sound (113-62)	4	22	77	516		
Yakutat Bay (183-10)	6	80	81	880		
Totals for Region 193 1,715 853						

<sup>\*</sup>Data are confidential when harvest for fewer than 3 permits is reported

The Emergency Orders corresponding with this announcement are 1S0220, 1S1220, 1E0120, 1E0220, 1E0420, 1E0620–1E1020.

Under Alaska's Health Mandates 10, 17, and 18, commercial fishing is an Essential Business and is part of Alaska's Essential Services and Critical Infrastructure. Commercial fishermen should ensure that all travel and other activities in support of commercial fishing operations follow protocols in Alaska COVID-19 Health Mandates. COVID-19 Health Mandates may be found here: https://gov.alaska.gov/home/covid19-healthmandates/

Advisory Announcement web site: http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=cfnews.main.

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